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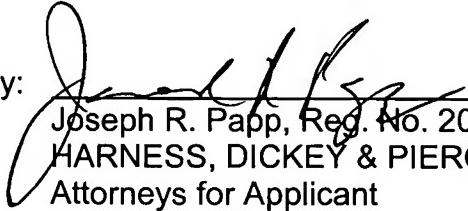
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In response to my STATUS LETTER of May 17, 2005, I received a prompt response dated May 25, 2005 which estimated that I would "receive an Office Action in approximately 0 months." (Copy enclosed) It is now about three (3) months later and no response has been received. Would you please provide an updated estimate as to when an Office Action can be expected in the above entitled application?

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